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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN MEXICO

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: FOREIGN MINISTER VAZQUEZ WISHES TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE US IN ACHIEVING A SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE. HE IS ENCOURAGED BY THE US POSITIONS AS DISCUSSED IN THE TALKING POINTS AND BELIEVES THE PRINCIPAL PROBLEM REMAINING IS TO FIND A WORKABLE FORMAT FOR THE MEETING. VAZQUEZ FEELS CERTAIN THAT HE WILL BE CHOSEN AS THE LA SPOKESMAN TO FOLLOW PRESIDENT OF MEXICO. END SUMMARY

2. IN THE LATE AFTERNOON OF FEB 13, FOREIGN MINISTER VAZQUEZ CARRIZOSA AND I DISCUSSED FOR OVER AN HOUR THE PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED BY THE MEXICO CITY CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

3. VAZQUEZ READ THE LETTER FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER AND EXPRESSED HIS THANKS FOR THIS SPECIAL ATTENTION.

HE ACCEPTED EARGERLY THE SECRETARY'S OFFER TO CALL ON HIM FEB 20 AT 4:30 P.M. VAZQUEZ WILL STAY

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AT THE CAMINO REAL.

4. VAZQUEZ BELIEVES IT CERTAIN THAT HE WILL BE THE LATIN AMERICAN SPEAKER THE FIRST DAY OF THE CONFERENCE. VAZQUEZ SHOWED ME AN EFFUSIVE NOTE FROM THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER IN WHICH HE REQUESTS THE HONOR OF PROPOSING VAZQUEZ AS THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO SPEAK AFTER PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA. VAZQUEZ STATED THAT HE HAS ALSO RECEIVED QTE SPONTANEOUS UNQTE OFFERS FROM PERU, COSTA RICA, ECUADOR AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO SUPPORT HIM FOR THIS HONOR. IT WOULD ALSO SEEM LIKELY THAT IF BRAZIL HAS MADE THIS PROPOSAL THAT IT HAS ALREADY CONSULTED WITH URUGUAY, PARAGUAY, CHILE AND*PERHAPS ARGENTINA.

5. VAZQUEZ MADE A SPECIAL POINT OF REQUESTING A REPLY TO HIS MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY REGARDING THE 1914 TREATY BETWEEN COLOMBIA AND THE US REGARDING COLOMBIA'S RIGHTS OF TRANSIT IN THE PANAMA CANAL. I WILL REPORT THE SUBSTANCE OF THIS CONVERSATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN A SEPARATE TELEGRAM.

6. VAZQUEZ AND I HAD A LONG DISCUSSION TAKING OFF FROM THE TALKING POINTS. BASICALLY VAZQUEZ IS VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE FORTHCOMING STANCE THE US HAS TAKEN AND HAS NO PROBLEM WITH ANY OF OUR POSITIONS. I CANNOT SAY, HOWEVER, THAT VAZQUEZ CONCENTRATED ON THE SUBSTANCE OF OUR POSITIONS AS HE APPARENTLY HAS FEW DOUBTS ABOUT THE US WILLINGNESS TO REACT POSITIVELY TO THE INITIATIVES PROPOSED AT BOGOTA. HIS PRIMARY CONCERNS REVOLVE AROUND THE FORMAT FOR THE CONFERENCE.

7. VAZQUEZ SHOWED ME A TELEGRAM HE HAD RECEIVED FROM HIS QTE EXPERT UNQTE IN MEXICO CITY OUTLINING THE PERUVIAN PROPOSAL FOR THE FORMAT OF THE CONFERENCE. THE PERUVIANS ENVISION THREE SPEAKERS ON EACH OF THE EIGHT TOPICS TO BE FOLLOWED BY A THIRTY-MINUTE PERIOD WHEN ANY LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTER CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE DISCUSSION. THE SECRETARY WOULD THEN HAVE A HALF HOUR IN WHICH TO RESPOND. VAZQUEZ STATED THAT THIS PROCEDURE WAS CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE. CONFIDENTIAL

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HE POINTED OUT THAT IN THE DAY AND A HALF AVAILABLE FOR WORKING SESSIONS THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THE REAL HIDDEN PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES WHICH SHOULD EMERGE. IN THIS CONNECTION VAZQUEZ HAS SENT TWO TELEGRAMS ON THIS SUBJECT TO THE MEXICAN FOREIGN MINISTER AND TO HIS DISGUST HAS RECEIVED NO REPLY.

8. VAZQUEZ HAS WORKED OUT HIS OWN PROPOSAL FOR THE

STRUCTURING OF THE CONFERENCE. HE WILL PROPOSE THAT THERE BE IN EFFECT TWO CONFERENCES. ONE MADE UP OF WORKING GROUPS WHICH WOULD BEGIN THEIR DELIBERATIONS ON FEB 18 AND CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE CONFERENCE. THE PREPARATION OF DOCUMENTS BY WORKING GROUPS SHOULD BE DONE IN CONCERT WITH THE US DELEGATION IN ORDER THAT BY THE TIME THE FOREIGN MINISTERS FORMALLY MEET THERE WILL BE A CONSENSUS ON EACH POINT TO BE DISCUSSED. THE OBJECTIVE HERE IS FIRST TO ARRIVE AT CONCRETE RESULTS AND SECONDLY TO ALLOW THE FOREIGN MINISTERS AND THE SECRETARY TO HAVE A PHILOSOPHICAL AND INTELLECTUAL EXCHANGE UNINHIBITED BY MINOR DISPUTES OR BILATERAL PROBLEMS.

9. VAZQUEZ WARNED ME AGAINST TRYING TO TREAT ALL EIGHT POINTS. FOR EXAMPLE, HE SAID, CHARTER REFORM IS NOT SUSCEPTIBLE TO DISCUSSION AND SOLUTION IN SUCH A SHORT TIME. VAZQUEZ PLANS TO TABLE A MEMORANDUM ON THIS SUBJECT, SUGGESTING THAT A SPECIAL CONFERENCE SHOULD BE HELD AT A LATER DATE TO TREAT THIS SUBJECT.

10. VAZQUEZ WILL ARRIVE IN MEXICO CITY THE EVENING OF FEB 15. HE STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH AMB JOVA FEB 16 OR 17 TO DISCUSS WAYS AND MEANS TO WORK IN CONCERT AND ACHIEVE A SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE. VAZQUEZ STATED HE WOULD TELEPHONE AMB JOVA SHORTLY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL.

11. VAZQUEZ PROMISED THAT ON FEB 14 OR 15 HE WOULD GIVE ME COPIES OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS AND PROPOSALS HE IS PREPARING FOR THE CONFERENCE. GIVEN HIS HABIT OF REVISING PAPERS UNTIL THE LAST POSSIBLE MINUTE, HOWEVER I DOUBT THAT HE WILL HAVE THEM READY PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE.

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